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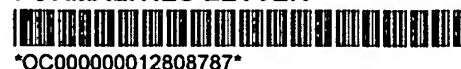
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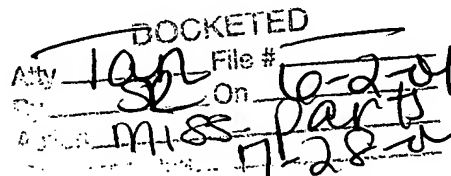
NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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03 FC:2202	171.00 OP

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 770 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Additional claim fees of \$342 as a non-small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$1242 for a Large Entity

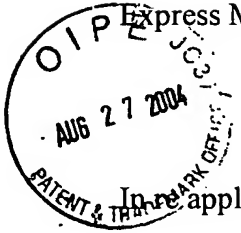
- \$770 Statutory basic filing fee.
- \$130 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is **\$342**
 - **\$342** for **19** total claims over 20.

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*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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PATENT APPLICATION

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CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAIL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10

I hereby certify that the following documents are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Missing Parts, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this 27th day of August 2004:

- Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application (3 pgs.) (in duplicate)
- Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application (2 pages)
- Petition for an Extension of Time (2 pages) (in duplicate)
- Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (5 pgs.)
- Form PTO-2038 submitting Credit Card Payment in the amount of \$676
- Postcard

Respectfully submitted,

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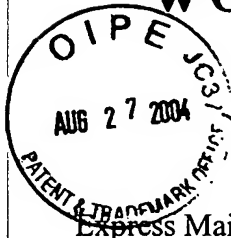


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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF
NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed May 28, 2004, please find enclosed herewith the following items for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified patent application:

- X A Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by the inventors.
- An Assignment conveying the invention to Oil-Tech, Inc., including a Form PTO-1595 recordation cover sheet.
- A Declaration Claiming Small Entity Status Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27.

- ☒ The present application claims entitlement to Small Entity Status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27
- ☒ A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application \.
- ☒ A Certificate of Express Mail under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10.
- ☒ To render the Response timely filed, enclosed is a Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below.

			SMALL ENTITY		LARGE ENTITY	
FOR	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE				\$385		\$770
TOT. CLAIMS	39-20=	19	X 9=	171	X 18=	
IND. CLAIMS	3-3=	0	X 43		X 86=	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM			+145=		+290=	
			TOTAL	556	TOTAL	

- ☒ Form PTO-2038 submitting Credit Card Payment in the amount of \$676 is enclosed to cover:
- ☒ The \$556.00 government filing fee.
- ☒ The \$55.00 fee for a Petition for an Extension of Time.
- ☒ The \$65.00 surcharge fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

- ☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees during the pendency of this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

- ☒ Any filing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 for presentation of extra claims.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

_____ The issue fee set in 37 C.F.R. § 1.18 at or before mailing of the Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.311(b).

X A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Please address all future correspondence in connection with this case to the attention of the undersigned.

DATED this 27th day of August 2004.

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